

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2013**



The general meeting of October 7, 2013 was held at 10:00 a.m. at the Los Angeles County Arts Commission, 1055 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

Present: Tomas Benitez
Pamela Bright-Moon
Betty Haagen
Laurel Karabian
Harold Karpman
Bettina Korek
Peter Lesnik
Alis Clausen Odenthal
Jesus Reyes
Ronald Rosen
Araceli Ruano

Absent: Mattie McFadden-Lawson
Hope Warschaw

Staff Present: Dushyant Bala, Administrative Services Manager
Margaret Bruning, Director of Civic Art
Adam Davis, Managing Director of Productions, Ford Theatre
Angela Gaspar-Milanovic, Professional Development Programs Manager
Miriam Gonzalez, Executive Assistant

President Lesnik called the general meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Absentee Excuses

Roll was taken and on a motion by Commissioner Ruano, seconded by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, the excused absences for the meeting of October 7, 2013 were unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Karpman, the minutes for the meeting of September 9, 2013 were unanimously approved.

Correspondence

Commissioner Karpman circulated eight thank you letters from FY 2013-14 Organizational Grant Program award recipients.

President's Items

President Lesnik reminded Commissioners about the annual Grantee Reception scheduled for October 22, 2013 from 5-7 p.m. at the Hall of Administration.

Staff Report

Margaret Bruning, Director of Civic Art, announced the Organizational Grant Program and the Civic Art Program are currently seeking recommendations for panelist pools for FY 2013-14 and asked Commissioners to submit nomination forms by November 8, 2013.

Civic Art Committee Report

Commissioner Korek reported the Civic Art Committee met on October 7, 2013 prior to the general meeting to review a donation of an artwork to the City of Manhattan Beach. The committee also reviewed a graffiti abatement initiative in the Second District to support its efforts to deter vandalism at four County-owned facilities.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Benitez, seconded by Commissioner Rosen, to approve the deaccession of the civic artwork, Untitled (For Jack) by Lee Whitten, formerly located at the Manhattan Beach Library, from the County Civic Art Collection, and donate the artwork to the City of Manhattan Beach, and include a provision that in the event of a future donation of the artwork that the City of Manhattan Beach make all efforts to relocate the artwork within Los Angeles County. The motion carried. Ayes: Commissioners Benitez, Rosen, Bright-Moon, Clausen Odenthal, Karabian, Karpman, Korek, and Lesnik. Not present: Commissioners Haagen and Ruano.

Approval of the 2014 Ford Summer Partnership Program

Adam Davis, Managing Director of Productions of the John Anson Ford Theatre, distributed a copy of the proposed 2014 Ford Summer Partnership Program Season.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benitez, seconded by Commissioner Karpman, and unanimously approved, to accept the proposed Ford 2014 Summer Partnership Program Season (attached), authorize the Executive Director to make changes as may be required by production considerations, and recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors.

County Counsel Revisions to the Arts Commission Rules of Order

Commissioners reviewed the recommended changes by county counsel as presented at the September 9, 2013 Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Benitez, and unanimously approved, to adopt the recommend changes by County Counsel to the Los Angeles County Arts Commission Rules of Order (attached).

Los Angeles County Budget Presentation

Dushyant Bala, Administrative Services Manager, gave an overview of the Los Angeles County Arts Commission annual budget process and the County's general budget procedures.

2013 Arts Internship Program Report

Angela Gaspar-Milanovic, Professional Development Programs Manager, presented the 2013 Arts Internship Program final report, shared photos from the Arts Summit Day, and gave an overview of some of the program statistics.

Commissioner Items

Commissioner Rosen announced the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts will open on October 17, 2013 in the City of Beverly Hills.

Public Comment

None.

The Arts Commission meeting of October 7, 2013 was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. on motion by Commissioner Rosen, seconded by Commissioner Haagen, and unanimously approved.